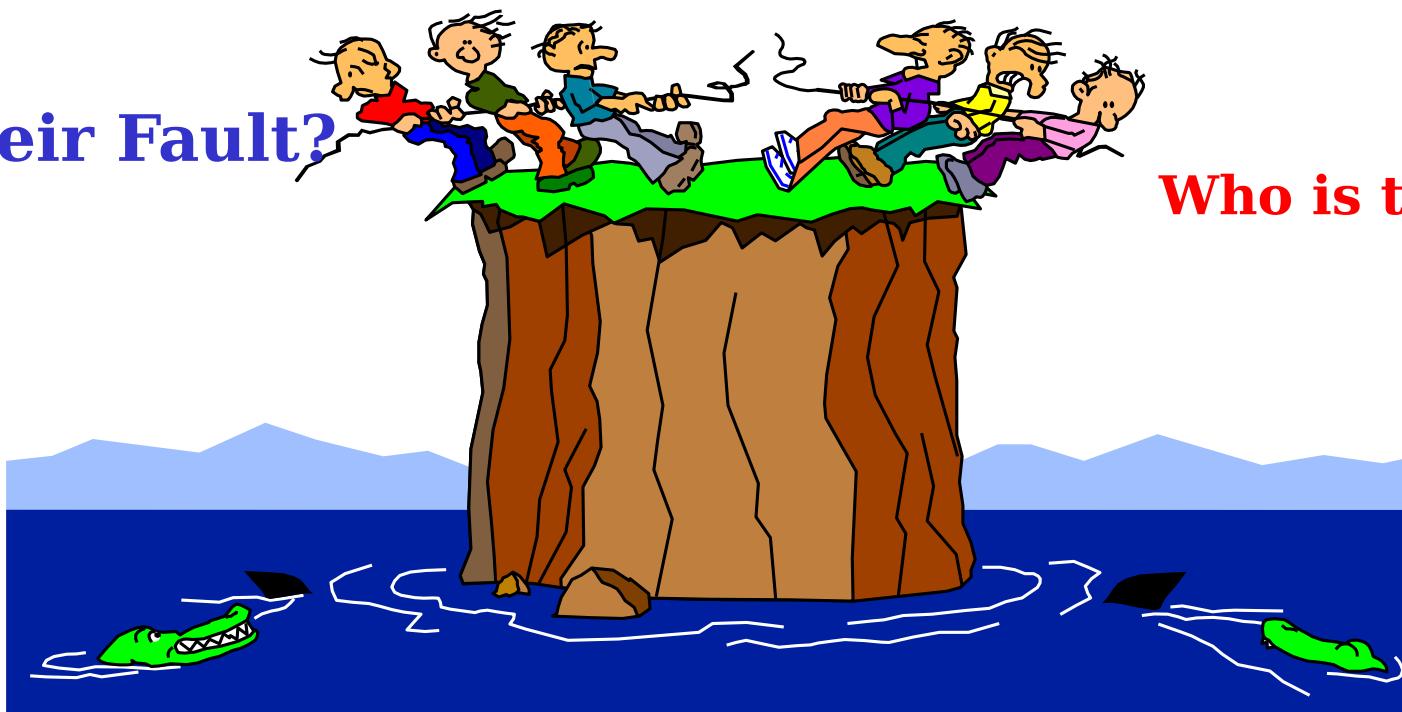




SYSTEM// VICTIM FOCUS

Their Fault?

Who is to Blame?





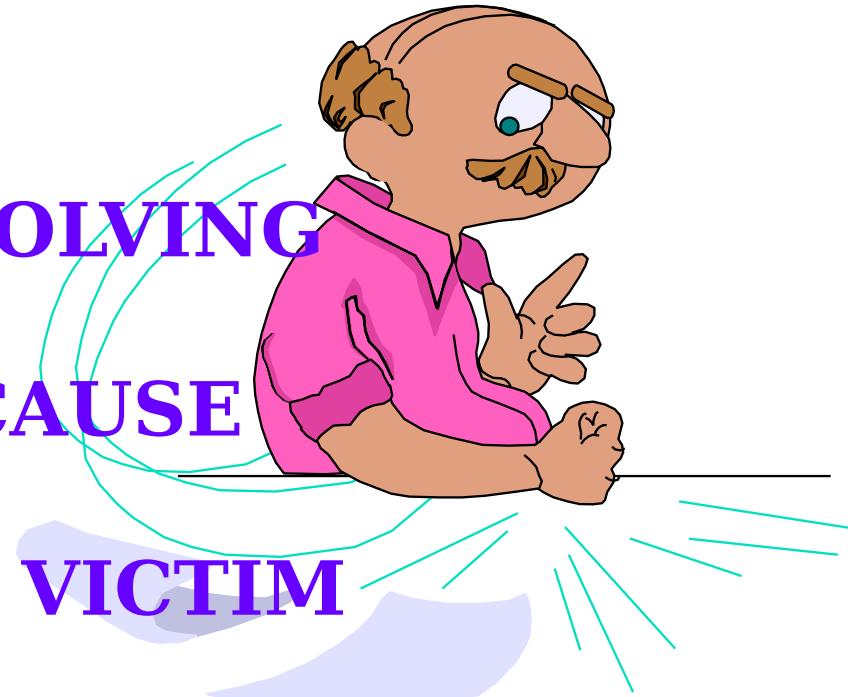
OVERVIEW

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VICTIM FOCUS

- REACTIVE PROBLEM SOLVING
- SEES VICTIM AS THE CAUSE
- FOCUSES ON “FIXING” VICTIM
- NARROW APPROACH TO PROBLEM SOLVING

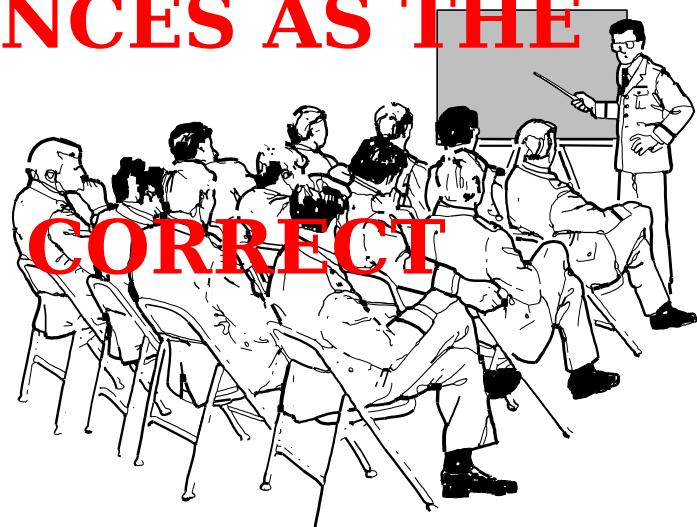




STEPS IN THE PROCESS OF BLAMING THE VICTIM



- IDENTIFY A SOCIAL PROBLEM
- STUDY THOSE AFFECTED AND HOW THEY ARE DIFFERENT
- DEFINE THE DIFFERENCES AS THE CAUSE
- ASSIGN SOMEONE TO CORRECT THE DIFFERENCES





SOCIAL FACTORS THAT PROMOTE VICTIM FOCUS



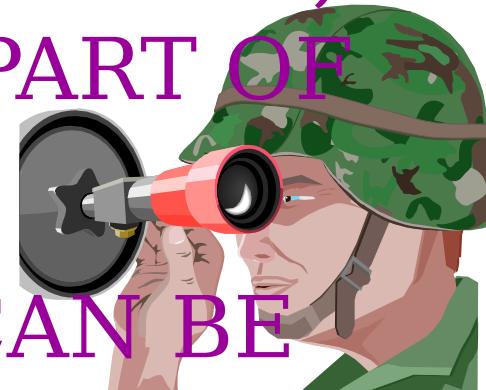
- **UNEQUAL STATUS**
- **DISTORTIONS OF REALITY**
- **ACCEPTANCE OF
VICTIMIZATION**



SYSTEM FOCUS APPROACH



- PROACTIVE PROBLEM SOLVING
- SYSTEM, ORGANIZATION, SOCIETY, OR COMMUNITY COULD BE PART OF THE PROBLEM
- EVALUATES HOW SYSTEM CAN BE IMPROVED TO PREVENT FUTURE PROBLEMS





SYSTEM FOCUS APPROACH



- NOT A QUICK FIX
- VICTIM DESIRES CONFORMITY
- SELF-PERPETUATING PROCESS





METHODS TO PREVENT VICTIM FOCUS



- **IALOGUE**
- **ASSESSMENT AND FEEDBACK**





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